

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DIST. OHIO
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

v.

BENJAMIN DARRELL RUCKEL

Defendant.

CASE NO.

JUDGE

INFORMATION

18 U.S.C. § 247(a)(1)

18 U.S.C. § 247(d)(3)

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THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

COUNT ONE

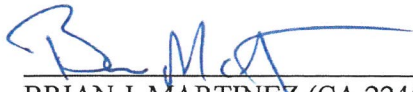
(Damage to Religious Property)

On or about November 27, 2021, in the Southern District of Ohio, the defendant, **BENJAMIN RUCKEL**, knowingly and intentionally defaced, damaged, and destroyed religious property, to wit, Mt. Zion Church, located at 4810 Blacklick-Eastern Road NW, Baltimore, Ohio, and attempted to do so, because of the religious character of said property, and the offense involved the use, and attempted use, of fire, and was in or affecting interstate or foreign commerce.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 247(a)(1) and 247(d)(3).

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